

Minutes

Environmental Quality Commission

Date: March 6, 2012

Time: 7:00 PM

Room: Conference Room #2

Called to order: 7:10 PM

Roll Call:

Commissioner Members in attendance: Michael Fox, Edward Horan, Paul Plavcan, Stein Ramstad, Pamela Foster and Michael Camillo

Others Present:

None

Minutes:

Minutes from the prior meeting was accepted by Paul Plavcan and seconded by Stein Ramstad. Motion was carried unanimously.

Public Participation:

None

Reports:

Michael Fox reported that he spoke with Rob Hillman to discuss the recycling and re-permitting of the land fill and was informed that recycling is up 7% from last year. He also mentioned that Tom Bowen, Chairman of the Open Space Committee has resigned. Stein Ramstad reported that he is continuing to pursue energy efficiency and renewable energy.

No other reports were given.

New Business:

Mike Fox reported that he met with Curator of the Young Farm House and they are willing to give a tour. Ed has spoken with the Parks and Recreation Department to see if it's possible they would be willing to help with the restoration of the gardens at the farm. Rob Hillman had

conversations with Bruce Till, who is the head of the Parks and Recreation Department which does not have any problem with helping with the restoration of the community and herb gardens at the farm, but their concerns were what will be needed and if supplies should be donated and there are also insurance implications to go forward. There were extensive discussions in regards what is needed to be done to get these gardens up to standards. For example to get the Town Crier to report our efforts and to get the Boy Scouts involved. They discussed Cedar Mountain and the possibilities of improvements there. Pam suggested creating a flyer to advertise Earth Day which will be held on April 21st. Pamela Foster and Mike Fox will coordinate advertisement for Earth Day in conjunction with the public access channel.

Old Business:

Mike Camillo spoke about the New Britain to Hartford bus way. Issues regarding residents, safety and high density housing for seniors is a concern.

Remarks by Commissioners:

None

Adjourn:

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Paul Plavcan and seconded by Pamela Foster at 7:40 PM. The motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Foster
Secretary

